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C O N F I D E N T I A L MANAMA 0186

D. O. 11652: GDS

TAGS I: MU UK SA MILI

SUBJECT : DISMISSAL OF OMAN DEFENSE SECRETARY OLDMAN

FROM QUINLAN MUSCAT

1. RADIO OMAN ANNOUNCED LATE MARCH 22 ON EVE ARRIVAL SAUDI PRINCE SULTAN THAT DEFENSE SECRETARY OLDMAN RETIRING TO BECOME DEFENSE ADVISER TO SULTAN QABOOS. SUCCESSOR NOT IDENTIFIED. ACCORDING HIS AIDE, OLDMAN WILL REMAIN DEFENSE SECRETARY ABOUT THREE MONTHS BEFORE TAKING UP NEW POSITION.

2. DEPOFF STODDARD, HEADLEY AND I HAVE ALREADY HEARD VARIETY OF NOW- IT- CAN- BE- TOLD EXPLANATIONS FROM AMERICAN, BRITISH AND OMANI SOURCES SUCH AS PRESSURE FROM AGGRESSIVE YOUNGER

BRITISH- SECONDED COMMANDERY DENIED ACCESS TO SULTAN, AND
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PUBLIC IMAGE WITH OMANI' S AND DISAGREEMENTS ON FINANCES
AND EXPANSION PLANS. SINCE DISMISSAL OCCURRED ON EVE
SAUDI VISIT PRESUME SAUDI ATTITUDE WAS ONE FACTOR. WILL
REPORT FURTHER WHEN SPECULATION AND HARD NEWS SORTED OUT.
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